

Marine Corps Mountain warfare Training Center

Program Manager

Special Operations Horsemanship and Animal Packing Program



MSgt Anthony W Parkhurst (ret)

Anthony W. Parkhurst was born and raised in Hagerstown, Indiana, He enlisted in the Marine Corps in August 1983 and underwent recruit training at 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, Charley Company, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, CA.

In October 1983, Private First Class Parkhurst completed School of Infantry Training at Camp San Onofre, Camp Pendleton, CA. He was then ordered to 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, Camp Pendleton, CA for duty where he served in a variety of billets from Anti-Tank Assault man, Riflemen, Armor, Scout Sniper. He twice deployed with 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

In August 1987, Corporal Parkhurst was transferred to the Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, CA where he served as an instructor for the Scout Snipers, Animal Packers Mountain Leaders Courses, training ground combat arm MOSs in mountain warfare tactics, techniques and procedures.

In September 1992, Sergeant Parkhurst was transferred to Guantanamo Bay Cuba, where he assumed the responsibilities as NBC Chief and Training Chief for the Ground Defense Force.

In September 1993, Sergeant Parkhurst was transferred to 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines Twenty Nine Palms, CA, Staff Sergeant Parkhurst was assigned to Dragons Platoon Sergeant, and then Sniper Platoon Sergeant He twice deployed with 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

In September 1996, Staff Sergeant Parkhurst transferred Recruiting School upon graduation was assigned to Recruiting Station Sacramento CA, where he assumed the responsibilities as SNCOIC of the Recruiting Substation Reno, NV.

In October 1999, Gunnery Sergeant Parkhurst was transferred to 3rd Light Armored **Recon** Battalion Twenty Nine Palms CA, where he served as the Operations Chief for Charley Company. Was deployed to Kuwait as the Coalitions Operations SgtMaj, and twice deployed with Charley Company 3rd Light Armored **Recon** Battalion.

In August 2002, Gunnery Sergeant Parkhurst was transferred back to the Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, CA where he assumed the responsibilities Operation Chief for the training center.

In May 2006 Master Sergeant Parkhurst retired from active service with 23 1/2 years of Honorable and faithful service.

In June 2006 Mr. Parkhurst took a job as the Research and Development Specialist for the Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, CA and worked at developing cold weather clothing and Mountaineering equipment for the United States Marine Corps.

In May 2008 to present Mr. Parkhurst transferred to the Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center Stables, Bridgeport, CA to become the Director of the Special Operations Horsemanship and Animal Packers Courses.